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ONE PENNY.

NOTICE.

IN OUR NEXT NUMBER
WILL BE GIVEN

A MAGNIFICENT PORTRAIT

OF

GEORGE FORDHAM,

THE WORLD-FAMED JOCKEY.

ALSO

A DRAWING OF THE

RACE FOR THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE,

By Ben Herring, Esq.,

AND OTHER LARGE ENGRAVINGS.

PRICE ONE PENNY.

"TWIG."

This terrier is the property of Mr. Thomas Heald, of 14, Millwright-street, Leylands, Leeds. During its career it has taken the following prizes:—First prize, Silver Collar, London, July 8th, 1861; first prize, £5, at the Manchester and Liverpool Agricultural Society at Ashton-under-Lyne, Sept. 11th and 12th, 1861; first prize, Silver Collar, at the Great North of England Show, London, June 8th, 1862; first prize of £4 and Silver Medal at the North of England Second Exhibition of Sporting and other Dogs held at the New Agricultural Hall, Islington, London, June 24th, 1862; first prize, Silver Medal, at Shaw's Great West-end International Dog Show, August 26th, 1862; and first prize, Silver Cup, presented by Mr. E. L. Smith, March 29th, 1863, and five following days.

TROTTING.

MATCHES AT PONDERS' END.—The enthusiasm for trotting appears to be on the increase, and the sport is one deserving of every encouragement. On Monday last there was a goodly muster of its patrons at the Pike and Anchor Race Grounds, Ponder's-end, to witness some excellent competition that had judiciously been provided by Mr. Jewison, the liberal and energetic proprietor of that popular enclosure; and the sport resulted as under:—

A HANDICAP RACE for a Silver Cup; entry, £1 ls. each, h ft. About three miles; heats.

Mr. Hadlin's black mare Owner 1 1

Mr. Daniel's Blackbird Tucker 2 2

Eight others contested, but were distanced. First heat: Mr. Hadlin's mare made the most of her 50 yds' start, and won by twenty lengths, Blackbird (who was handicapped to start from the scratch) securing the second place. Second heat: Blackbird strenuously exerted himself to overtake his previous conqueror, but was again doomed to lower his colours; nevertheless he succeeded in reducing "the breach" to about ten lengths.

THE BEATER HORSES STAKES (Handicap). First prize, a Stop Watch. Second prize, a Silver Snuff Box. About two miles.

Mr. Chance's bay gelding Rattler Owner 1

Mr. Daniel's Blackbird Tucker 2

Eight also started for this, as a Rattler (allowed 125 yards) won a good race by ten lengths, Blackbird again coming in second.

[Our correspondent has, unfortunately, omitted to name the whole of the starters, and we hope he will be more careful in future.—Ed. I. S. N.]

PIGEON SHOOTING.

MACCHEFIELD.—A match at pigeon shooting took place on Wednesday last, at the Charles-in-the-Oak Inn, Foul's-snoek, kept by Ephraim Ridgway. There were twelve entries; three birds each; distance 19 yds, 40 yds boundary; no restriction as to shot. The following is the result:—Mr. William Buxton, 101; Mr. Nathan Buxton, 111; Mr. Joseph Bailey, 110; Mr. Jas. Webb, 111; Mr. Nathan Goodwin, 011; Mr. William Vernon, 111; Mr. James Tomlinson, 111; Mr. William Anderson, 000; Mr. James Hulks, 100; Mr. Samuel Atkinson, 100; Mr. Samuel Bailey, 110; Mr. Isaac Wright, 000. On the ties shooting off, Jas. Tomlinson and William Vernon each missed his bird. Geo. Webb and Nathan Buxton killed theirs. The two latter then shot off, when Nathan Buxton killed his bird and Webb missed.

On Monday last there was a pigeon shooting match at the Ryle's Arms, Hollin-lane, which was won by Mr. Nathan Goodwin. On the same day, at the Lamb Inn, Lane-ends, Sutton, a pigeon shooting match took place, and the prize was carried off by Mr. Thomas Mellor, of the Bull's Head Inn, Maccheffield.

MACCHEFIELD SPARRING TOURNAMENT.

This inland manufacturing town, as regards matters pugilistic, has had its sombre denizens on the gas wire for the last week by an announcement that on Friday last, the 23rd inst., a sparring entertainment would take place at the house of Mr. R. C. Hudson, the No. 80 Vauze, Maccheffield. The names of the world-renowned Jim Mace, together with Wormald, Jack Hicks's big 'un, were laid down on the placards as the artistes, and on the evening in question, long before the appointed hour (eight o'clock) the great little hall was quite crowded. The proceedings were opened by a few bouts between F. Edwards and J. Cobb, two local provincials, whose performances were indeed highly creditable, and was highly enjoyed by the champion. The elegant and costly trophies of the champion were here exhibited to a delighted and most respectable audience, and much admiration was expressed as each splendid goblet was explained by the M.C., especially the Windham trophy, which elicited great delight, as it passed round the assembly. Mace and Wormald here stepped into the roped arena, and gave four splendid bouts, much delighting the spectators by the art being shown to perfection, which brought down great applause. A second performance was gone through during the evening, large numbers not being able to obtain admission at the first entertainment. The champion left the town late in the evening, en route for Liverpool, and was loudly cheered by the large concourse of people who had assembled to witness the departure.

MOORS AND FORESTS.—So many shooting quarters have now been deserted that few notes of sport reach us. Only keen hands remain, and their perseverance, we are glad to say, is not unrewarded. Among the heads sent this week to Mr. Smevie for preservation are the following:—Four from Captain Amory, Invermoriston; three from Mr. Sidebottom, Bonaw; one from Mr. Morris, Wyvie; one from Mr. Somes, M.P.; and a roe's head from Mr. Englund, Chroesie. At Inverie, on the 10th inst., Captain Hay, R.N., shot three stags, one a splendid animal of eleven points, and weighing 18 stones. The remaining two were shot right and left, and weighed respectively 15 and 16 stones. Mr. W. A. Madley has also received some fine heads. Three heads have come from Mr. Hutchinson, Rhiddorrah; and one from Mr. Bonham Carter.—Inverness Courier.



THE FAMOUS DOG "TWIG."

THE PROPERTY OF MR. HEALD, OF LEEDS.

CATTLE SHOW.—The annual Rugby and Dunchurch Fat Stock and Supplement Exhibition takes place on Thursday, the 26th of November next, the entries closing on the 2nd of that month. A prize of fifteen guineas is offered for the best English fat beast.

In conclusion, I would refer "Northern Cricketer" to the account of the matches in which Mr. Grace has figured during the past season, and advise him to reckon up the number of "chances he has given which have not been taken. When he has done that I think he will be ready to admit that "it is I" who am right, and "it is he" who is wrong.

CRICKETER.

ject defeated by neglected and debilitating diseases, and Brodie's GOLD-COATED PILLS, for the cure of Gonorrhœa, Gleet, Spermatorrhœa, and similar affections, will be found the most speedy remedy to regain health and vigour. Boxes, 2s. 9d., 4s. 6d., 7s. 6d., 11s.; post, 6d. extra.—3, Hanway-street, Oxford-street, W. Post order, D. Brodie. Stamps taken.

THE ASHBURNHAM GENTLEMEN'S GYMNASIUM CLUB.

We some short time since alluded to the probability that existed of the formation of a gentlemen's club for athletic sports at the west-end of the town. We are happy to say that probability will shortly become a certainty, as Mr. E. T. Smith has offered his Ashburnham Hall for the purpose, and the preliminary meeting is fixed to take place on Saturday, the 7th of November, on which day the West London Rowing Club will run off and will contend for the first prizes of the season. The courses in the Pavilion are already marked out, and the availability of this spacious building for gymnastic arena, will be well understood by amateurs, when they are informed that after forming a good mile, half-mile, quarter-mile, and 100 yard courses, ample space will remain for every other known gymnastic sport and for the accommodation of several thousand visitors. We are informed that the subscription is to be a very moderate one, and that the rules, which are to be fixed by a committee of gentlemen, will enable the members of the club to enjoy privacy of competition, with a fair liberality of admission to their associates and friends.

The love for athletic sports has no doubt received considerable impetus by the formation of volunteer companies, and many late important running matches prove that this love is also felt by the aristocratic portion of society. We therefore scarcely feel a doubt that with the possession of a building which, from its immensity, proportions, defies the interference of weather, the Ashburnham Gentlemen's Gymnasium Club will prove a great success.

A DEER KILLED WITH A STONE.

On Monday, the 6th inst., a fine large stag was killed at Loch-ness, with a weapon more primitive than even the celebrated bows and arrows used by our worthy ancestors. Sir A. Cliechester, having determined to make the most of his last day this season, ordered about a dozen active fellows to "beat the woods" for game. In the course of the day a young lad of the name of Al MacKenzie found himself alone in a narrow glade, where he imagined he was off from the sport in which the others were so keenly participating. In this, however, he was greatly disappointed, for soon he saw three splendid stags coming towards him at full speed. He shouted for assistance, but in vain, and his resolution was immediately shaken. Floundering in the mud, he recoiled in defiance of law and prudence, to turn sportsman himself; but he found that the whole three were too many to manage, for in spite of the cudgel and his own agility, the two foremost succeeded in passing him. With regard to the hindmost, the first act of our hero was to employ the cudgel upon his head, with no other effect, however, than the splintering of that weapon. In no way was he discouraged, he quickly laid hold of a stone, and applied it so effectively to the animal's skull that he soon gained the victory. Having made sure work of his victim, his next business was to find out Sir A. Cliechester, to whom he lost time in communicating the intelligence. That gentleman greatly applauded the action, and with the utmost good humour presented him with the fruit of his prowess.—*Edin. Courant.*

FOOTBALL.

On Monday evening an influential meeting of the captains or other representatives of the football clubs of the metropolis and the suburbs was held at the Freemason's Tavern, Great Queen-street, Lincoln's-inn-fields, for the purpose of promoting the adoption of a general code of rules, and generally to bring the game into a more definite position.

The following clubs were represented by one or more of their officers:—Barnes, Blackheath, Blackheath Proprietary School, Perceval House, Blackheath; Kensington School, Crystal Palace, Charterhouse School, Orsayers, Forest (Leytonstone), N. N. Kilburn Club, W. O. (War-on), &c. &c.

Mr. Pemberton, N.N. Kilburn Club, having been voted to the chair, observed that the adoption of a certain set of rules by all football players was greatly to be desired, and having that object in view, the meeting had been called to carry it into effect as far as practicable.

Mr. E. C. Morley (Barnes), moved, and Mr. Mackenzie (Forest Club, Leytonstone), seconded, the following resolution:—That it is advisable that a football association should be formed for the purpose of settling a code of rules for the regulation of the game of football.

Mr. B. F. Hartshorne said that though he felt it was most desirable that a definite set of rules for football should be generally adopted, yet, as the representative of the Charterhouse School, he could not pledge himself to any course of action without seeing more clearly what other schools would do in the matter.

On the part of the Charterhouse he would be willing to coalesce if the other public schools would do the same. Probably at a more advanced stage of the association the opinion of the generality of the great schools would be obtained.

The Chairman said every association must have a beginning, and they would be very happy to have the co-operation of the last speaker at a future meeting.

The resolution for the formation of the association was then put and carried.

The officers were elected as follows:—Mr. A. Pemberton, president; Mr. E. C. Morley, secretary; Mr. F. M. Campbell (Blackheath), treasurer.

The annual subscription was fixed at one guinea, all clubs being eligible, if of one year's standing, and to be entitled to send two representatives to the yearly meeting, to be held in the last week in September, when the rules would be revised and the general business arrangements carried out. The hon. secretary was requested to advertise the annual meeting for a day hereafter to be fixed, and with a vote of thanks to Mr. Pemberton for his conduct in the chair, the meeting, which was most unanimous, came to a close.

THE FAMOUS JOCKEY WHEATLEY,

WHO WON THE DERBY ON SPREAD EAGLE, 1795.

(From the Original Picture.)

MILLING IN AUSTRALIA.

MAT HARDY AND ALF M'LAREN, FOR £200.—*Bells Life* of Victoria of Aug. 1 contains an account of a fight between these men. Mat Hardy was born in South Staffordshire, is about thirty-four years of age, and stands 5 ft. 7½ inches. His best fighting weight we should consider to be about 105 lb. We are not aware that he ever appeared in the Prize Ring at home, but he has a great fame among the Staffordshire folk in the colony. He fought in Australia with several men with various success. Alf M'Laren is a brother of Bob M'Laren, better known as Crawley a Big-un. He is twenty-one years of age, has never fought before, and weighed 121. It was a splendid battle, in which the punching was very heavy on both sides. From the 6th round, when the men had been fighting three hours and a half (says our contemporary), it was evident that the steam was out of them, and the punishment being equal, it was a question of pluck and physical endurance. It will better suit our space, therefore, and perhaps the patience of the reader, if we give a short description rather than the details of the last two hours' fighting. For an hour Mat, after his fighting, got down every round; scarcely ever, however, before he had got one hot-ant-while his opponent's wonderful stamina stood him in great stead. It was at this period of the battle that they require the greatest attention from their seconds, young Alf, in particular, being well nursed. In the 1st round Mat received a severe upper cut, and in this instance, though with better reason than at any previous time to do so, he declined to go down, but continued the rally in favour of the Novice, who got the hug on Mat, and held him like a vice for some seconds. Mat, extricating one of his hands, manied the other's face till they got loose, and were carried to their corners. Though this distressed Mat, he nevertheless got the advantage in the next half-dozen rounds, Alf falling off weak. In the 7th round, Alf, for the first time, tried at the broad basket, and got home heavily, considering that he had been fighting four hours and a

half. From this time it was apparent that neither had enough left in him to administer the *coup de grace*. In the 8th round, Alf was merely sparing on the defensive, and from his advantage in knowledge of the science, his opponent could not get at him. He was, nevertheless, nearly blind, and in great distress. Still the idea of giving in was as remote as at the beginning of the fight. Seeing there was no chance of the battle being finished, and as each had acquired himself to the satisfaction of every one, a draw was proposed by some sporting gentlemen present. Neither, however, gave a consent. When, however, the men came up for 32nd round they were so completely prostrated that they were unable to approach each other, and the referee stated that if the fight was not renewed in five minutes, he should give his decision, and leave the ring. During this time no blow was struck, and the referee entered the ring and declared the fight a draw, one upon which the men shook hands, and received the attentions of their friends. Thus ended one of the best fights we have ever witnessed, and which occupied four hours and fifty-five minutes.

PEDESTRIANISM.

MATCHES TO COME.

- 31.—Anster and Knight—150 yards, £25 a side, St. George's, Hoveley.
- 31.—Boothroyd and Halgh—140 yards, £15 a side, St. George's, Hoveley.
- 31.—Barrow and Kearney—440 yards, £20 a side, Lindley Moor, Kearney to have one yard start.
- 31.—Beldor and Wilcock—300 yards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester, Wilcock to have three yards' start inside.
- 31.—Hersforth and Bradley—109 yards, £5 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
- 31.—Connor and Hilton—140 yards, £10 a side, Phoenix Grounds, Heywood.
31. Nov. 2.—One Mile Handicap, for the Champion Cup and money prizes, Strawberry Hotel, West Derby-road, Liverpool.
- 31.—Brown and Rossingdale—100 yards, £15 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.

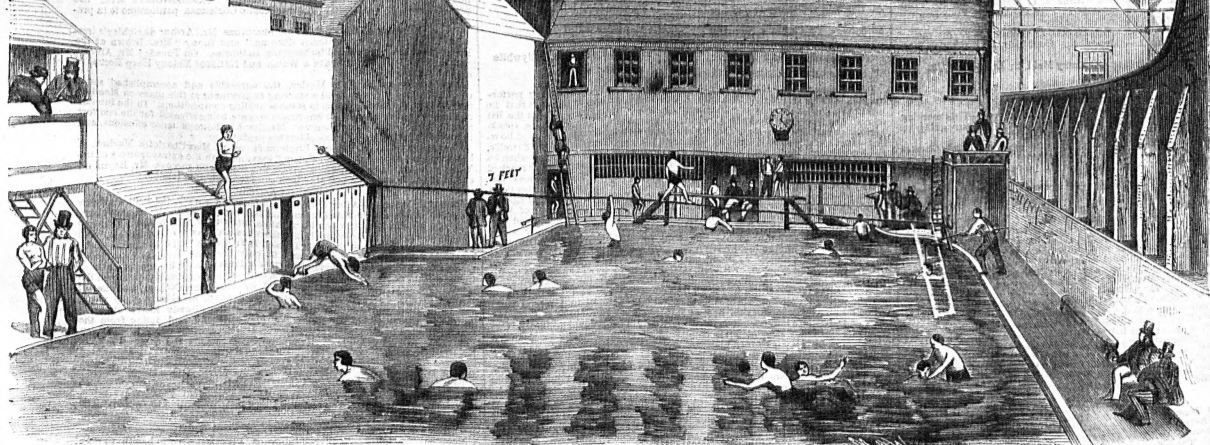
NOVEMBER.

- 2.—Tones and Waring—120 yards, £5 a side, Aston Cross, Birmingham.
- 2.—T. Churchill—to walk six and a half miles within the hour, for 47 to 53, Chalk Farm.
- 2.—Lockwell and Thomas—to walk seven miles, £25 a side, Garratt-lane.
- 2.—Newbold and Peters—100 yards, £7 10s a side, Aston-cross, Peters to have a yard start.
2. 3.—Handicap race, 220 yards, £25 in money prizes, Queen's Hotel, Sheffield.
- 7.—Beldor and Foster—150 yards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
- 7.—Fielding and Schofield—to run a mile, £20 a side, Higginshaw Grounds, Oldham.
- 7.—Hewitt and Wakefield—100 yards, £5 a side, Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.
- 7.—Aldcroft and Taylor—220 yards, £10 a side, Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.
- 7.—Jinks and White—120 yards, £5 a side, Aston-cross, Birmingham.
- 9.—Edwards and Purcell—100 yards, £20 a side, High-park, Fenton.
- 9.—Andrews and Calmer—to run a mile and a half, £15 a side, Calmer to have 50 yards' start, Brompton.
- 14.—Charnock and Travis—120 yards, £25 a side, Newton-leath, Manchester.
- 14.—Broadbent and Fitton—to run three miles, £10 a side, Higginshaw Grounds, Oldham.
- 14.—Alison and Sanderson—to run a mile, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
- 14.—Thompson and Watson—120 yards, £15 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
- 16.—Young Monjoy and Richardson—to walk four miles, £10 a side, Mountjoy to have 200 yards' start, Bow.
- 16.—James and Owen—440 yards, for £10, James to have five yards' start, inside, Bow.
- 16.—All England Handicap, 350 yards, £12 in money prizes, Aston Cross, Birmingham.
- 16.—Mennock and Mills—100 yards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
- 16.—Andrews and Knight—120 yards, £25 a side, Snipe Inn, Audenshaw.
- 16.—Burns and Mills—120 yards, £5 a side, Ash Tree Grounds, Tivdale.
16. 25.—Handicap, 440 yards, £10 in money prizes: also a Five Mile Walking Handicap, for a cup and money prizes, Hackney Wick.
16. 25.—Handicap, 440 yards, for a large silver Challenge Cup, Prince of Wales Ground, Holloway Road, Birmingham.

BOW.

THE OLYMPIA GROUND.—SATURDAY.—There was a mile race here, for £10 a side, between Brown (of Stratford), and Burfield (of Victoria New-town), the former receiving thirty yards' start. The betting was not very spirited, at 6 to 4 on Brown. Pudney was appointed referee; and on the pistol being fired they got off level, but Brown won a fine race by three yards.—Robinson and Young Mountjoy then walked their twenty-five miles, for £10 a side, which was won by Robinson, the friends of Mountjoy stopping him after walking fifteen miles and a half, being perfectly satisfied.—Groom and Barber also ran a mile for a small stake, the latter receiving twenty yards' start, and the former won easily by four.—Lawson and Duffield next ran 100 yards, for £5 a side and Duffield won a fine race by a yard.

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THELE'S VICTORIA BATHS AT CLIFTON.

(From the Original Lithograph.)



THE CELEBRATED JOHNNY WALKER,
PROFESSOR OF BOXING
(From a Lithograph.)

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